

## BOOK REVIEWS

as a reference text for the field. In the preface the senior author addressed the need for a short, easily interpreted book designed specifically for practitioners. I believe he has succeeded in producing such a book.

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**CANCER OF THE HEAD AND NECK**—Edited by James Y. Suen, MD, and Eugene N. Myers, MD. Churchill Livingstone Inc., 19 West 44th St., New York, NY (10036). 1981, 905 pages, \$89.00.

This textbook, edited by Drs. Suen and Myers, is the most comprehensive available pertaining to head and neck cancer. The editors have compiled well-integrated chapters by more than 50 authors who are nationally recognized experts in their respective fields.

Although both of the editors are head and neck surgeons, the emphasis of the book is directed toward the importance of team management of patients with head and neck cancer. To this end, they have enlisted authors who are experts in several allied medical specialties including radiation oncology, neurosurgery, plastic surgery, oral surgery, restorative dentistry, medical oncology, pathology, anesthesia, ophthalmology and nursing.

In spite of the many contributors, there is very little overlap of subject matter. The text comprehensively discusses topics such as nutritional management, pain control, chemotherapy and immunotherapy, nursing care, maxillofacial rehabilitation and dental considerations in such patients. Unfortunately, the book had apparently gone to press before the contribution and impact of the computerized tomographic (CT) scan and myocutaneous flaps had been recognized; they are discussed in only a limited fashion.

This book will be a useful adjunct to any clinician treating patients with head and neck cancer regardless of specialty. Needless to say, it would be an important resource during residency training for head and neck surgeons, radiation therapists and medical oncologists.

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**ANDREWS' DISEASES OF THE SKIN: CLINICAL DERMATOLOGY**—Seventh Edition—Anthony N. Domonkos, MD; Harry L. Arnold, Jr, MD, and Richard B. Odom, MD. W.B. Saunders Company, West Washington Square, Philadelphia, PA (19105). 1982. 1,108 pages, 1,277 illustrations, \$58.00 U.S., \$69.60, Canada.

This is the seventh edition of a textbook that first appeared in 1930, thus continuing a 50-year tradition. A great deal of time and care has been put into this last edition bringing it up to date in all respects. All of the references have been modernized and seem to be selective.

The textbook is not meant to be an exhaustive treatise on all problems in dermatology but more a good reference book for practicing dermatologists and an excellent orientation textbook for residents in dermatology. The book is a reasonable one to suggest to medical students who plan to have a future interest in dermatology although they may not pursue the specialty. It is a very useful book to have on the shelf for referral to general dermatologic problems that one might have in a practice other than dermatology. The sections on therapy are carefully considered and represent the most modern methods of management of dermatologic disease. The photographs are very good although there would have

been some advantage to at least a few pages of color photographs which the text does not have.

The *Andrews' Diseases of the Skin* has always been a popular dermatologic textbook and with this excellent revision will continue to be.

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**PROGRESS IN PERINATAL NEUROLOGY—Volume 1**—Edited by Rowena Korobkin, MD, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Oakland; and Christian Guilleminault, MD, Stanford Sleep Disorders Clinic and Research Center, Stanford University School of Medicine. Williams & Wilkins, 428 East Preston Street, Baltimore, MD (21202). 1981. 238 pages, \$35.00.

The contents of this volume accurately reflect its title; it is an excellent review of the current state of the art in one of the exciting new areas of neurology—neonatal brain disorders. The authors are all experts in their respective fields. They present well-written and succinct reviews of clinical disorders affecting the nervous system in newborn infants, including viral infections, respiratory disorders and anoxia. The chapters on neuroradiology, electroencephalography and evoked responses are particularly well done. Some newer topics are reviewed that are rarely presented in other volumes—for example, infantile hemiplegia and disorders of sucking and swallowing.

Obstetricians, perinatologists, neonatologists and pediatric neurologists will find this book a welcome addition to their library.

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**GENERAL UROLOGY—Tenth Edition**—Donald R. Smith, MD, Professor of Urology, Emeritus, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine; Visiting Professor of Urology, University of Ain Shams, University of Cairo. Lange Medical Publications, Drawer L, Los Altos, CA (94022). 1981. 598 pages, \$19.50 (paperback).

It is a pleasure again to review this excellent book on general urology. Donald Smith, distinguished emeritus professor from the University of California, San Francisco, has once again brought his comprehensive and excellent text up to date. He has put a complete view of modern urology into a valuable and useful paperback edition which sells for only \$19.50. It is a worthy sequel to the now out-of-print book *The Principles and Practice of Urology*, written by his teacher Dr. Frank Hinman, Sr. I tell students at UCLA that if they know everything in this valuable volume, they will know more than most professors of urology.

One of the best things about this book is that Smith, who presented the first edition in 1957, has continued to enlarge it and update information. The chapters are brought into modern perspective. Particularly appealing is the chapter about kidney transplantation by Oscar Salvatierra. Also a number of important chapters have been assigned to Professor Emil Tanago, Smith's successor as professor at the University of California, San Francisco.

The book should appeal and be particularly useful to medical students and residents who desire a quick, reliable and thorough reference in urology.

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